SCORE KILLED BY FIRE IN OMAHA HOTEL

Ruins Where All but Four Bodies Are Still Buried May Increase Death List.

GUESTS CAUGHT ASLEEP BIGGER NAVY UNOPPOSED

Seventy-five Persons May Have Only 12 Democratic Senators Been in Building and Exact Number of Lives Lost May Never Be Known.

LIVES LOST IN

Rapids, Iowa, 1903..

BIG HOTEL FIRES. Hotel Royal, New York, 1892. Windsor Hotel, New York, March 17, 1899 Cedar Rapids Hotel, Cedar

February 21, 1902..... LOSSES IN OTHER BIG FIRES. General Slocum disaster, June

Park Avenue Hotel, New York.

15, 1904. Iroquois Theatre. Chicago, December 30, 1903... Brooklyn Theatre, December 5. Hoboken Piers, June 30, 1900. 145

Omaha, Feb. 28 .- Fire early this morning destroyed the Dewey Hotel, at 13th bly more persons losing their lives. The register of the little hostlery was burned. and the names of those who died in the flames probably will never be known. Tonight only four bodies had been recovered. These were of persons who either jumped from windows or died from exposure injuries. The identified dead:

Charles Cummings, a bartender. Mrs. Alice Bonnevue, sister of Mrs. C.

Charles Beverly, employed by a local The fourth body, unidentified, was re-

covered by firemen before the interior of the building collapsed. Cummings's brother arrived this morning from Pittsburgh to visit him, only to

his tragic death. Cummings jumped from the third floor to the sidehis head and body being badly The fire occurred at an hour when few

to the Emergency Hospital or to hotels. | sels.

them had rooms near the two exits, and so The money loss is estimated at \$250,000.

tons of debris, to-night lie the bodies of the victims, and it may require two days to remove them from the death cellar. Until this debris has been removed the number of dead will not be known.

It is believed the loss of life was caused by a gas explosion in the rear of the building. Only a few weeks ago there was discovered a leaking gas main, which caused the management of the hotel to arouse all the guests. At that supply and open all the windows and have resulted from a similar condition.

Mrs. C. E. Hawkins, who had a room on the second floor, dragged her sister, Miss Alice Bonneyue, to a window. There Miss collapsed. Mrs. Hawkins jumped, and, though two policemen broke her fall, she was badly injured.

Izzie Steiss, a newspaper carrier, was one of the heroes of the fire. Before the firemen arrived he rushed into the building and assisted the night clerk to arouse those who were asleep. He helped drag several half-dazed persons from the building and then collapsed from the effects of smoke. He was removed to a hospital

Jesse Nold, an employe of the hotel, probably saved the lives of twenty persons. He was awakened by the cry of fire, and, half dressed, hurried through the smoke-filled halls arousing guests. He got a number of persons out of the burning building, all of them half clad.

Bitterly cold weather added to the discomfort of those who had to flee for their lives and frozen hose lines handicapped

SUFFRAGE STIRS CONGRESS

Sub-Committee Headed by Hobson Will Investigate.

Washington, Feb. 28. - Congress has taken up the woman suffrage question in L. I. R. R. TO RAISE FARES London Press Praises His Attiearnest by the designation of a sub-com-mittee, headed by Representative Hobson, to inquire and report to the House whether it would be better to leave the question of equal suffrage in the election of President and Vice-President to a constitutional amendment or to the action of separate states. Various committees sidered proposed amendments, but none has ever reported one out.

and Tribble, of Georgia, will work with Representative Hobson in the inquiry, plearings. It is promised that a report will be presented to the incoming Congress before it ends, two years hence.

TWO BATTLESHIPS ARE AUTHORIZED BY SENATE

Transport, Supply Ship. Destroyers and Submarines Added to House Bill List.

Voted Against Increase-

House Expected to Defeat Programme. [From The Tribune Bureau.] Washington, Feb. 28 .- By a vote of 55 to 16 the Senate to-night overturned the economy programme of the House Demo-

armament, and added to the list of vestransport, to cost \$1.850,000; one supply ship, to cost \$1,425,600; six torpedo boat destroyers and four submarines.

The Senate amendment was adopted without even a show of opposition and hardly the formality of a rollcall. Only twelve Democratic Senators were re corded against the two-battleship plan-Senators Bacon, Gore, Johnston, Kern. Lea. Myers, Pittsman, Pomerene, Shively, Smith (of Georgia), Smith (of South Tarolina) and Thomas. The four Republicans who joined with them were of course, should the United States per-Senators Burton, Bristow, McCumber and ceive the wisdom and equity of repeal-

La Follette. and Thornton, even went to the extent of voting for three battleships, the amendment to that effect offered by Senator It was obvious when the two battleships amendment came up that there was no enthusiasm on the Democratic side for the plan of the House to economize at the expense of the navy. Senator Paynter, the only one to make a spech on the subject E. Wilkins, wife of the proprietor of the advocated an effective navy. The amend ment was about to be slipped through when Senator Bristow suggested that it

> When a quorum of the Senate had been ummoned and Senator Frandegee offered his amendment to increase the number of the policy of laying cown two a year, the galleries, which were crowded with visit-As an explanation of the attitude of the

committee Senator Perkins presented a letter from the Secretary persons were in the vicinity, and the in- calling attention to the rapid increase of terior of the building, which was an old the navies of other world powers. In 1917, one, was a mass of flames before the Secretary Meyer said, Germany will have firemen arrived. Not less than fifty per- twenty-seven battleships of the modern sons were sleeping in the building, and type, while the United States will have estimates of the number run as high as only fifteen. He also pointed out that the seventy-five. At least thirty are known to guns of such ships as the Iowa, the Kenhave escaped. Many of them were tucky and the Kearsarge will be no match scantily clad, and they were taken either for the armament of these modern ves-

About a third of the guests were Ne- The bill, carrying appropriations tor Thomas, of Colorado, had made as known all escaped to the street. final and unsuccessful effort to secure the adoption of a one-battleship amendment Owing to the inflammable nature of the In order to enforce its two-battleship the attitude of the British government structure the heat was intense and the programme and to hasten the settlement than had been done in the former profiremen did not get the flames under of the issue with the House, the Senate test. Instead of so doing, and thus at the train and escort them to the presicontrol for several hours. Then the in- named Senators Perkins, Penrose and meeting the head of the State Depart- dential room in the station, where the mean time looking anxiously at his watch terior had collapsed and fallen into the terior had collapsed and fallen into the basement. Here, beneath hundreds of House committee, in case the House refuses to accept the two-battleship amendment.

> The defeat of the two battleship programme in the House is looked for by many members of that body. The House voted one battleship after a long struggle, and the one battleship advocates declare they will hold up the entire appropriation bill rather than accept Senate amendments adding the second ship.

time it was necessary to cut off the gas BATTLESHIP CONTRACT LET doors. To-day's explosion is believed to The Pennsylvania To Be Built at Newport News.

Washington, Feb. 28.-The contract for the construction of the Pennsylvania, the principle of international arbitration largest battleship ordered yet by any of for which the United States has made the great navies of the world, was signed | so admirable a record. Navy and representatives of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock

The contract is for \$7.250,000 for the construction of the great fighting machine in accordance with the Navy Department's plans and specifications, except as regards the propelling machinery, which to crack this particular nut. is to be in accordance with one of the iternative designs prepared and submitted by the successful bidder. Under the terms will pursue in the premises, it is asof the contract the vessel will be completed within sixty-six months. The Pennsyl-

and characteristics: Length on designer's waterline, 600 feet twenty-one knots; heavy battery, twelve 14-inch guns; four submerged torpedo tubes, supported by a torpedo defence battery of twenty-two 5-inch guns. She will carry a crew of about nine hundred and fifty officers and men.

Public Service Commission

Sanctions New Rates. The Long Island Railroad Company yesterday obtained from the Public Service Commission permission to file a new tariff of passenger rates, which will, mean increased fares of from one to three cents on express trains from Union Hall station, at Jamaica, to many points between that station and Brooklyn

will remain the same from Flatbush ave- that he thinks the Hay-Pauncefote nue to Belmont Park, with the single ex- treaty should be observed and its procention of the fare from Jamaica to Belmont Park, which will be reduced two

Bell and Wing By FREDERICK FANNING AYER

The rarest verses of the time. I World Wide Grip us hours after reading. | Bureau. An alert and bold intelligence. Occult Review, England. Deep-voiced, deep thinking.—Boston Times.
Absorbing, virile and inspiring.—New York Herald. Eminences even loftier than poetry.-The Enquirer, Oak-

Refreshingly unusual in style.-Gazette, Cedar Rapids,

remarkable volume.-The Journal, Portland, Ore.

DEMOCRATS DRAW UP CABINET "DOPE SHEET"

Latest Guess of Senators and Representatives Report of Prospective New -Who Don't Know-Puts Walter H. Page in Wilson's Official Family.

Washington, Feb. 28.-The latest "dope the Wilson Cabinet is as follows State-WILLIAM J. BRYAN.

Treasury-C. R. CRANE. Justice-E. R. WALKER. War-WILLIAM G. M'ADOO. Navy-JOSEPHUS DANIELS Postoffice-A. S. BURLESON. Interior-WALTER H. PAGE Agriculture-C. W. DABNEY. Commerce-LOUIS D. BRANDEIS.

Labor-W. B. WILSON. This slate is referred to as a "dope sheet," because leading Democratic members of both houses admit that for the most part they are merely guessing. An earnest effort was made to secure from the Vice-President-elect some information ing from disappointment.

on the subject of the Cabinet by members of the Senate, but without success

The assertion that Walter H. Page has been offered a Cabinet place and that he will probably take the portfolio of the Interior is made on excellent authority. although it is admitted he may be assigned to Agriculture.

Colonel George W. Goethals has some backers for Secretary of War, but it is not believed he would accept the post in advance of the completion of the Panama Canal, even were it offered to him. Others predict that Obadiah Gardner

will be in the Cabinet, but more believe that Mr. Gardner's chances have gone glimmering, and some pretend to see in his comment on President Wilson's pur-pose to make his headquarters for a part of the time in the President's room at the Capitol evidence of disgruntlement result-

ENGLAND STANDS 'The Daily News' says: BY CANAL PROTEST

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ing the law to which objection is taken,

no recourse to arbitration need be had. With a delicacy and a finesse which even Secretary Knox is compelled to admit, Sir Edward Grey argues the contention that arbitration should precede rather than follow the occurrence of actual friction, and the preferability of removing all possible occasion for difference before the canal is opened

With a grace which brought a smile to the countenance of Mr. Knox as between the two countries will be he read it. Sir Edward Grey compliments the United States on the broad and progressive stand it has always taken in favor of arbitration, and then deftly submits that the avoidance of main objects of treaties of arbitration treaties in the advocacy of which the American government has always taken so prominent and admirable a

Knox Disappointed.

It is violating no confidence to say that, in addition to proving a disappointment the reply of the British Poreign Office is also a surprise to the Secretary of State. He had believed be compelled to meet with particularity the arguments he advanced, and piled with at one ment on his own ground, Sir Edward of Mr. Knox's argument with as much adroitness as was displayed by the Secretary in raising them.

While the most critical could find no fault with the polite phraseology of the British communication, in effect it amounts to a reiteration of the contention that the Panama Canal act violates its conception of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, and that where the interpretation of a treaty is questioned by two friendly governments resort should be had to arbitration to determine the true meaning-a contention which is cleverly supported by the references to the undeviating championship of the

at noon to-day by the Secretary of the It may be going too far to attempt to he read this very diplomatic communication, but it might not be a bad guess that some of the smiles it prompted were due to his reflection that it would be William J. Bryan who would have

While speculation is rife as to what course Mr. Bryan and his assistants serted on unquestioned authority that vania will be of the following dimensions before attempting to formulate a reply to Sir Edward Grey's communication the next administration will carefully length over all, 608 feet; breadth, 57 feet feel out the situation in Congress, and, the effort, will take prompt steps to secure the repeal of the free tolls provision of the Panama Canal act.

WILSON PLEASES ENGLAND tude on Panama Canal.

(By Cable to The Tribune.) London, March 1 (Saturday) .- Several of to-day's newspapers comment editorially on Woodrow Wilson's reported approval of the Root amendment to the Panama Canal act. "The Dally Mail" says:

"Mr. Wilson has made a pronouncement which will gain him the respect Fares for local electric train service of Englishmen. He has boldly declared visions fulfilled by giving equal treatment to the mercantile vessels of all can be no question as to the ethics of the matter. The recent act is a flagrant violation of the agreement. It was passed only by the pull of certain great transport and financial interests in the lobbies in Washington and against the better sentiment of the country."

"The Daily Telegraph" says: "The United States has a history in regard to arbitration which she may well desire to maintain unspotted. The question now at issue is pre-eminently fit to be settled by that means. It is legal in its nature and wholly concerned with the interpretation of a treaty, Refural to submit it to independent le- they were cision would discredit and throw back genus would die.

a movement which has already been of to be the members of his official family. incalculable benefit to civilization and will, if unchecked, achieve far more,"

"Voluntary amendment more likely to suit the pride of Ameribill they could not resist arbitration. Mr. Wilson, one may be certain, would favor arbitration, if Congress were to the other, therefore, an honorable set- that Mr. McCombs had put in some po-tlement of this question is highly tent argument against the selection of probable, and all good friends of both countries will welcome the prospect."

"The Daily Chronicle" says: tration, whether at The Hague or elsewhere, but after the expressions which have fallen from President-elect Wilson there is reason to hope that an amicable adjustment of the differences | House.

CAPITAL AWAITS WILSON

reached by a shorter cut."

friction has always been one of the President-Elect and Wife Will Reach Washington Monday.

Washington, Feb. 28.-The inauguration committee to-day is giving attention to the finishing touches for the reception of the President-elect. A request from Mr. Wilson necessitated quick action and served as an indication that he is to announce his Cabinet very shortly and that Department of Labor, created by the bill now awaiting President Taft's signature.

The President-elect requested that ten seats be reserved on the floor of the Senthat by his answer to Great Britain's ate for members of his Cabinet during the braskans who had come to the city to proximating \$150,000,000, finally passed the attend the automobile show. Most of Senate just before midnight, after Sena-

The President-elect and Mrs. Wilson far more clearly and explicitly define will arrive in Washington Monday after noon. Thomas Nelson Page, chairman of glides gracefully over the technicalities is estimated that ten thousand visitors arrived here to-day and to-night. Tomorrow and Sunday fifty thousand are expected, and preparations have been de to accommodate two hundred thousand visitors by Tuesday.

WILSON HOST CONFESSES

'Cousin John' May Be Pretty Close to Standard Oil.

(From The Tribune Bureau,) Washington, Feb. 28.—Now that the storm of the conflict is over and laurels are within the grasp of President Wilson. "Cousin John" Wilson, who is to act as the host of the next President until he takes possession of the White House, has apparently come out into the open and confessed himself. The story is current among certain of the Democrats that "Cousin John" lay low when the fight at describe Secretary Knox's thoughts as Baltimore was on for reasons that may be attributed to a sense of strategy. His name was not mentioned when the Wilson After fight was over "Cousin John" is said to have kept very quiet until the flags of the inauguration itself began to futter. Now he admits that he is associated with no less a person that Joseph C. Sibley, formerly a member of the House of Rrepresentatives, whose correspondence with John D. Archbold in the now famous compendium known as "The Standard Off Letters" of wide and recent circulation is well known.

examined by the Senate campaign investiis luch; draft, 28 feet 10 inches; displace- if there is found the slightest reason gating committee, and said that the in ment, 31,400 tons; speed on four-hour trial, to believe that success would attend terest in the oil business quite naturally led him into close contact with John D. Archbold. He was unblushing enough to in his relationship.

> Cousin John" apparently was more disin the cyclone cellar until the political cyclone had blown over.

HATCHING URCHIN EGGS Artificial Process Is Explained by Professor Loeb.

The process by which he had fertilized eggs of a sea urchin was outlined by Pro- of Colonel House, for dinner, and later fessor Jacques Loeb, of the Rockefeller Institute, at a reception given in his Theatre. honor last night by the Manhattan Medi-Society in its rooms, Broadway and the male did not bring the egg into life, as it was already living, but that it suppiled the impulse for its development.

"We have imitated the sperm with simnations in the new waterway. There ple chemical substances," he said. "Acid and sea water will start the egg's development, but only carry it to the point of lng a virtue of stlence." forming its first coating of membranes; its further growth can be insured by contact with a solution of concentrated sea water, mixed with water from the egg The individuals developed by artificial fertilization are always females; with care they they will obtain a vigorous maturity.

Professor Hawkins, of Columbia, said the sperm of the male introduced a new element into the egg, as well as stimulated its vitality. He also said that certain forms of animal life went through

CABINET PLANS SAID TO BE HELD UP BY M'COMBS

Draft Follows Confab Here with Wilson.

IS TWICE IN CONFERENCE

President-Elect Attends "Within the Law"-Track Walker Saves Him from

President-elect Wilson, William F. Mc-Combs, chairman of the Democratic Na-tional Committee, and Colone E. M. House held a conference late last night at street, at which, it was reported, the personnel of the Wilson Cabinet was dis-

The conference was a long one, and the hour at which it was held led to the be lief that, with inauguration day on's three days off, President-elect Wilso: had not yet decided finally on who were The President-elect and Colonel House saw "Within the Law" at the Eltings

Theatre last night, going directly after the show to Colonel House's apartments where Mr McComb was waiting Earlier in the day Mr. McCombs had an they were to defeat Senator Root's at the University Club, at which the Wilson Cabinet and other matters of import- first place, Mrs. Susan McLaughlin, cf ance were gone over. The subsequent conference at the home of Colonel House. however, led to considerable speculation.

and the opinion was freely indulged in mind for his official family. It was be- Preston. lieved that the later conference at Colothe adjudication of any court of arbi- President-elect had in mind, with the object of settling the whole thing before he went back to Trenton to-morrow.

> McCombs did not go to the the-The President-elect came to

be his last visit here for several weeks, party-not! thanking his lucky star that a vigilant track walker had discovered a broken rail in front of the railroad station at Tacony, Penn. The discovery saved the train in which the President-elect was riding from being badly wrecked. The train was composed entirely of wooden cars, and had the break in the rail, which was about a foot long, been undiscovered there is no telling what would have hap-

hour for his last set-to with his dentist he plans also to name a Secretary of the In Philadelphia, the President-elect was parlor car when the train stopped suddenly in front of Tacony station. Inquiry passed only five minutes before had in time to flag the President-elect's train.

Wilson's Train Held Up.

The train was kept stalled while waiting for a gang of workmen to replace reception committee will await them. It and wondering why he was being delayed, for 19 o'clock. After four trains had passed on an adjoining track the Presi- Scholarship Society of the Yale Law brough, Lewis L. Clarke, Robert E. Do Mr. Wilson left the train at West Philadelphia, then forty minutes late, and made a hurried trip to his dentist in a

> Mr. Wilsop left Philadelphia on the 12 clock train, and for more than an hour of the journey had a bully time playing with Clarke Greenwood and Clara Greenwood, the little five-year-old son and daughter of Mrs. Clarke Greenwood, who were among the passengers.

The children had a bully time, too They climbed all over the President-elect. pulled his hair, his nose and his ears, but Mr. Wilson did not seem to mind it in the least, for the more they pulled the better he seemed to enjoy himself. When they They wanted the President-elect to shar their candy, but he had to decline this invitation, because, he explained, he did not want to undo the work of his dentist. The private car of President Rea of the Pennsylvania Railroad was attached to the same train on which Mr. Wilson was riding. Mr. Rea invited Mr. Wilson to ride with him in the private car and also have luncheon, but the President-elect declined. Mr. Wilson explained to Mr. Rea that

he had made arrangements to dine with members of his party, and that he regretted his inability to accept the railroad president's invitation. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Rea have been personal acquaintances for some time.

No Invitation to Castro.

maintain that there was nothing criminal from Washington, saying Castro had announced in Havana to Mr. Beaupre, the American Minister, that Mr. Wilson had creet. He was careful enough to remain extended him an invitation. Beyond the brief statement that it was "unqualifiedly false" the President-elect had no statement to make. The President-elect arrived in New

York at 2 o'clock and went to the studio of Seymour Thomas, where he posed for an hour or so while Mr. Thomas made some alterations in the portrait of the President-elect he had painted last fall. Mr. Wilson afterward went to the home went with the colonel to the Eltinge

Mr. Wilson was cheered as he entered his box. At the close of the third act the &d street. He said that the sperm of audience again burst into applause, and the demand for a speech became so urgent that the President-elect stood up, and, pointing to the newspaper men siting opposite, said;

"The newspaper men in the opposite box can tell you that just now I am mak Mr. Wilson will become a private citi-

zen at noon to-morrow, when his resignation as Governor of New Jersey formally takes effect. Senator James F. Fielder, who will take the Governor's place, will be formally inaugurated to-morrow. Mr. Wilson will attend and formally turn over the great seal of the state to his successor.

HEAVY SNOW AT LAKE GEORGE. [By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Lake George, N. Y., Feb. 28 .- Six inches

periods of deficient vitality after a given of snow have fallen at Lake George, and number of generations, and that unless the indications are that another storm artificially stimulated, the is on the way. The thermometer was 25 degrees below zero to-day.

HERO SAVES LIGHTHOUSE SULZER DEPRECATES Assistant Keeper Swoons After Fierce Battle with Flames.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] South Norwalk, Conn., Feb. 28,-Frederick Heiselman, assistant keeper of Peck's Ledge Lighthouse, in the Cockenoe Islands, had a harrowing ex- Tells Allied Real Estate Men perience in a fire at the lighthouse last

The blaze started in the kitchen, and when he discovered the flames the thick smoke made it almost impossible for him to enter. Heiselman started the pump and poured water into the furnace which had been his kitchen. He fought the flames until they were subdued and fainted from exhaustion coming to his senses some hours later. Beneath the kitchen was stored 2,000

gallons of kerosene. The gasolene mo tors running the fog horn were working during the entire battle with the fire. Helselman was in peril of his life, and property of the government valued at \$100,000, was at stake. the home of Colonel House, in East 5th A government inspector who was sent to the lighthouse to-day spoke in the highest terms of the heroic efforts of the young assistant,

AUTO TROUBLES EN BLOC Six Persons to Court in Car-Two Remain in Cells.

mixed up in a row over a motor car that | 000 for the employment of an expert who began yesterday afternoon and ended at nightfall with two of the wranglers at methods of the city, but the offer had the West 160th street police station. It was a long and colorful story. In the ceived even an answer to his letter, No. 309 West 97th street, had a war of trade and commerce, a greater navy and words with Benjamin O. Levine, of No. 324 West 96th street accusing Levine of falling to pay \$105 which she said he owed on the car. A process server, Samuel Rosen, jumped into the car with Mrs. of the men that Mr. Wilson had in McLaughlin and her chauffeur, Harry

Levine ran out of a restaurant with his nel House's apartments was for the pur- friend, Joseph B. Mulholland, an autoe of thrashing over all the names the mobile salesman. Then Mrs. Jessie Batjer, a friend of Mrs. McLaughlin, turned up from somewhere. There was a territion row going on when Patrolman Thompson It was also considered rather significant arrived and arrested Mulholland because Mrs. Batjer said he had insulted her and atre with the President-elect and Colonel Mrs. McLaughlin and Rosen because Levine said they were disorderly. Thompson took everybody to the West Side Court | districts. last night for what he expected would in the automobile. Oh, it was a friendly

\$10 and paroled Mrs. McLaughlin and Rosen in the custody of their lawyer, Edward J. Kelly Samuel D. Matthews, Levine's lawyer, asked the magistrate to restrain Mrs. McLaughlin and her allies from troubling the car.

"It's a civil action, and I can't do it," said the magistrate.

to the machine in the street. Mrs. Mc-Laughlin beat everybody else to a seat. closely followed by Mrs. Batjer and Pres-Mulholland leaped in, representing the other side. Levine grabbed off the license tag, risking being run over by Preston, who had started the car Matthews and Preston had a tussle, and Patrolman Thompson dragged them back into court, followed by all the interested

"Court's adjourned," yelled a court officer, and Matthews and Preston were taken to the West 100th street station.

GOFF DISCUSSES LAWYERS

Sincerity Law's Main Principle, Justice Tells Students.

New Haven, Feb. 28.-Speaking to the Bailey, Louis V. Bright, William Ch School this evening, Justice Goff, of the New York Supreme Court, after asserting that he had not before made a public address in a decade, talked in an advisory way on "the lawyer," discussing Don C. Seitz, Elbridge Gerry Snow, E. A. main principles of the law. He said:

"Our profession is a storm centre, both H. Williams, T. S. Williams and William the judiciary and the bar. In the popular R. Willcox. arena of discussion great questions have arisen which to many appear revolutionary. The delay of the law has invoked language that is scathing. President Taft has declared that the delay of justice in the United States is scandalous.

"I would suggest two innovations for law schools-a chair for the practice of the law and practice in the examination of witnesses as part of the law course A great principle of law is sincerity have seen great orators and speakers, but have seen juries consistently bring it verdicts against them. The jury seeks the lawyer who will get at the facts of the case. Of great orators the thought remains that they are not sincere. orations of Demosthenes and Cicero do not affect us as the speeches of the Christian Apostles.

convicted on taking the witness stand on his own behalf, and I have never seen a guilty man take the stand who was not beaten in his own cross-examination. It the Capitol scandal and get all the facts is almost superhuman work to extinguish truth. The most carefully constructed the trustees of public buildings with a stories are liable to be shattered on crossexamination. It is the practice of some lawyers of being the servitors of corporations and of taking large fees that are As his train was approaching New York | really bribes. This is responsible for the the President-elect was shown a dispatch public criticism of the law that now ex-

HIGH TAXES ON REALTY

Assessment Increases Are Burdensome.

M'CALL TALKS SUBWAYS

Toastmaster Criticises Gaynor for Ignoring Offer to Provide \$15,000 for Administrative Expert.

Governor Sulzer and Chairman McCall of the Public Service Commission guests of honor at the first annual din ner of the Allied Real Estate Interests at the Walderf-Asteria last night. The din ner was attended by practically all the well known real estate men of the great Allan Robinson, who presided, told the

diners of the need of efficiency and economy in the city administration as the essential requirements to cut down taxation Many of the so-called improvements, he said, were a waste of money, and the peo ple had to stand for the expense. He had made an offer to the city, he said, to con Two tawyers and six other persons were tribute on behalf of the organization \$15. would standardize the been completely ignored, as he never re Governor Sulzer spoke about taxation

> rine. He avoided any of the troublesom topics that have been the subject of re cent dispatches from Albany. in New York City, he said, through the enormous increase in the assessments of

> the need for an American merchant ma

real estate-an assessment above thvalue of the property. Simultaneously there had been a depre lation in farm values throughout the state, and the country population was flocking to the city, he cald. It was his purpose as Governor, Mr. Sulzer said, to do everything in his power to promot the agricultural resources of the state and to help the city, as well as the farming

Pleads for Economy

Speaking about the estimates submitted to the Legislature for the current year exceeding \$63,000,000, Governor Sulzer said "My predecessor had to resort to direct taxes to raise enough money to pay what was appropriated last year. Unless we practise every economy, abolish every uscless office, eliminate waste, stop graf and keep down every appropriation to vide more money than ever to pay the running expenses of the state for the

ming fiscal year.' Money was necessary to run a good government, he went on, and to meet the ever increasing expenses people should look toward the increase of trade an commerce as the best means of creating general prosperity and easing the burder of taxation. For this purpose an Amer can merchant marine must be created better piers provided, and the Hudson River deepened as far as Albany, the

McCall Talks Subways.

Chairman McCall spoke in a general ay of his new duties as head of the Public Service Commission and of the importance of the new subways to the real estate interests of the city. mong the guests were

ling, Amos F. Eno, Abram I. Elkus James Frank, Frank V. Hediey, C. R. James, Clarence H. Kelsey, Leverett (Miller, Henry Morgenthau, W. W. Niles Tredwell, William S. Van Chef, William

Among others present were E. B. Al vord, Warren Cruikshank, Joseph P. Day Arthur M. Delano, Roland F. Elliman Frederick M. Hilton, Hebert R. Lawrence, Edward Lazarsky, S. Stanwood Menken, Michael Paterno, Joseph Pater no. J. Clarence Ramsey, T. Wilbur Spear James Speyer, Douglas Grant Scott and Charles R. Wyckoff.

TO PROBE HOEFER CHARGES Sulzer Orders Committee to In

vestigate-Two Discharged. Albany, Feb. 28 .- The charges of alleged incompetency and inefficiency pending against Herman W. Hoefer, of New York, when he resigned yesterday as state architect will be probed by Gover nor Sulzer's committee of inquiry.

"I told the committee of inquiry day." said the Governor, "to investigate on the record. I shall call a meeting of view to cancelling existing contracts. Acting State Architect Sussdorf has

promised to uncover frauds."

Mr. Susdorf to-day dismissed J. P. Powers, of Queens, a deputy, who received an annual salary of \$5,000, and W. S. Costa, of New York, Hoefer's secretary, whose salary was \$2,700.

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